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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

VIA HAND DELIVERY

David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Entry Into Long Distance (InterLATA) Service in Tennessee Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 97-00309

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed are the original, four paper copies, and an electronic version of BellSouth's 271 filing.

The testimony of Mr. John Ruscilli contains proprietary CLEC-specific information. This proprietary information is being filed with the Authority under separate cover subject to the terms of the Protective Order entered in this proceeding. Based on BellSouth's understanding that certain CLECs object to BellSouth providing this information to other CLECs, even subject to the terms of a protective order, the proprietary version of Mr. Ruscilli's testimony is not being provided by BellSouth to the parties of record. Copes of the redacted, non-proprietary version of Mr. Ruscilli's testimony are enclosed. The electronic version of BellSouth's 271 filing includes the non-proprietary redacted version of Mr. Ruscilli's testimony.

An electronic copy of the enclosed is being provided to counsel of record. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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